

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

### Listing of Claims

1. (Canceled)
2. (Canceled)
3. (Currently Amended) A method for detecting whether or not a hydroxyl group in sugar is protected, which comprises reacting the sugar having a hydroxyl group or hydroxyl group protected by a  $Z-CH_2-CO-$  chloroacetyl group, wherein  $Z$  represents a halogen or  $-O-SO_2-$   $R$ , in which  $R$  represents an aliphatic or aromatic hydrocarbon group, which is immobilized to a solid phase, with a compound represented by the formula  $X-Y$  wherein  $X$  represents a residue of an azo dye compound, and  $Y$  represents a group capable of reacting with the hydroxyl group in the sugar  $N-[2-[(4,6-dichloro-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl)oxy]ethyl]-N-ethyl-4-[(4-nitrophenyl)azo]-benzeneamine$ ; ~~and/or~~ and reacting the sugar with (p-nitrobenzyl)pyridine under basic conditions.
4. (Canceled)
5. (Canceled)
6. (Canceled)
7. (Canceled)
8. (Currently Amended) A method for monitoring the progress of a synthesis reaction of a sugar chain in the method of synthesizing a sugar chain by reacting first sugar having a hydroxyl group which is immobilized to a solid phase, with second sugar having a reactive group